

Quality Assurance Reporting Requirements (QARR) Health Disparities

DATA DICTIONARY

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Table #1: Field Names

| Field Name | Definition |
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| Measurement Year | The time period the data represent. |
| Payer | Medicaid Managed Care, Commercial HMO, Commercial PPO. |
| Domain | The measures in QARR are divided into seven domains: Provider, Network, Access to Primary Care, Child and Adolescent Health, Women's Health, Adult Health, Behavioral Health, and Satisfaction with Care. Information from the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) consumer satisfaction survey is included in the Provider Network, Adults Living with Illness, as well as in the Satisfaction with Care sections. |
| Sub Domain | Category within the domain with more detailed information regarding a certain aspect of quality. |
| Measure Description | Description of quality measure. This dataset contains 66 measures from the QARR. |
| Measure | Measure short name that corresponds to the short name in the QARR dataset file. |
| Method of Data Collection | Methods of collecting quality data are administrative review, hybrid review, and the CAHPS survey. Administrative review utilizes administrative systems only to identify the eligible population, numerator events, and exclusions to calculate a rate. Hybrid review utilizes administrative systems to use a sample of the eligible population in addition to medical chart review. The CAHPS survey is an annual survey that asks consumers and patients to report on and evaluate their experiences with health care. |
| Category | This field reflects characteristics that are extracted from the member information that is collected during enrollment and is linked to QARR member-level data. The categories of demographic information include: members' gender, age, race/ethnicity, Medicaid aid category, payer status, cash assistance status, mental health condition, substance use, and region of residence. |
| Characteristics | <p>This field reflects the range of values that are appropriate for each demographic category described above.</p> <p>All variables are listed in the second table located on page 2.</p> |
| Numerator | Number of persons within each characteristic. |
| Denominator | Number of persons meeting denominator criteria specified by HEDIS 2019 within each characteristic. |
| Rate | Percentage of numerator compliant within the denominator criteria. |

Table #2: Field Variables (Characteristics)

| Characteristics Field Name | Field Variables |
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| Age | Various age groups used in different measures. |
| Sex | Male, Female |
| Region | Central, Hudson Valley, Long Island, New York City, Northeast, Western |
| Aid Category* | Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Non-Supplemental Security Income (Non-SSI) SSI is a federal program whose recipients are largely aged, blind, or disabled. Individuals eligible for SSI receive cash assistance. |
| SMI Status* | Serious Mental Illness (SMI), No Serious Mental Illness (Non-SMI) Serious Mental Illness is defined as an adult with serious and persistent mental illness is defined as those members, 18 years of age and older, whose health profile (which includes diagnoses, procedures, and pharmacy utilization) over the past 12 months places them in a major diagnostic category of mental diseases and disorder; additionally, they had to have at least one service in the past 12 months with a diagnosis at least one of the following conditions; schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders, major depression and bipolar disorders, cyclothymic disorder, schizotypal, chronic hypomanic, and borderline personality disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, attention deficit disorder, or obsessive-compulsive disorder. |
| SUD Status* | Substance Use Disorder (SUD), No Substance Use Disorder (Non-SUD) Substance User Disorder is defined as an adult, 18 years of age and older, having had a claim for chemical dependency services (i.e., inpatient, intensive outpatient, partial hospitalization, outpatient and emergency department) in the past 12 months with a diagnosis of chemical dependency. |
| Race* | Asian, Black, Hispanic, Other, White, Unknown |
| Cash Assistance Status* | Cash Assistance, No Cash Assistance Cash assistance is a program to help needy, men, women and children if they are unable to work, cannot find a job or the job does not pay enough to cover expenses. The cash assistance may be for housing (rent subsidies), utilities, emergency needs, temporary housing, or food assistance |
| Payer Status* | Medicaid Managed Care, HIV Special Needs Plans (SNP), Health and recovery Plans (HARP) |

| Characteristics Field Name | Field Variables |
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| Payer Status* | Medicaid managed care is health coverage administered by New York State, according to federal requirements, for eligible low-income adults, children, pregnant women, elderly adults and people with disabilities. The HIV Special Needs Plan (SNP) covers all the same services covered by Medicaid, plus special services for people living with HIV/AIDS. Those eligible for Medicaid and living with HIV/AIDS or are homeless or are transgender can enroll in SNP. Health and Recovery Plans (HARPs) provide a specialized scope of support services not currently covered under the State Plan. Adults with significant behavioral health needs can enroll in a HARP. |

* = Information is only available for Medicaid members.